

Prospero Silver Corp. and Fortuna Silver Mines Inc. Sign Option Agreement for Pachuca SE Project

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Vancouver, Jan 25, 2019 - [Prospero Silver Corp.](#) (TSXV: PSL) (the "Company" or "Prospero") is pleased to announce that the the option agreement announced on December 10, 2018 (the "Option Agreement") between Prospero and [Fortuna Silver Mines Inc.](#) ("Fortuna") has been signed by both parties. The Option Agreement is subject to the acceptance of the TSX Venture Exchange.

On December 10, 2018 Prospero announced that [Fortuna Silver Mines Inc.](#) ("Fortuna") exercised its right to be granted an option to acquire up to a 70-per-cent interest in the Pachuca Southeast project located close to the historic mining city of Pachuca in Hidalgo state, Mexico, by spending a total of \$8-million (U.S.) in qualifying expenditures and completing a preliminary economic assessment, with a minimum spend of \$1-million in the first year.

On January 21, 2019 Prospero announced that a drill rig had arrived on site and drilling had begun. A six hole, 4,200m program is underway test a number of potential vein targets.

Pursuant to Multilateral Instrument 61-101 - Protection of Minority Security Holders in Special Transactions ("MI 61-101"), which is incorporated by reference into the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange under Policy 5.9, the Option Agreement constitutes a "related party transaction" as a result of Fortuna presently holding in excess of 26% Prospero's outstanding common shares. Prospero is relying on the formal valuation exemption in Section 5.5(a) of MI 61-101 and upon the minority approval exemption in Section 5.7(a) of MI 61-101. These exemptions are available as, at the time the subject transaction was agreed to, neither the fair market value of the subject matter of, nor the fair market value consideration for the transaction, insofar as it involves interested parties, exceeded 25% of Prospero's market capitalization.

About Pachuca SE

The 6,669-hectare Pachuca Southeast land package is 24 kilometres southeast of the city of Pachuca, Hidalgo, along strike from the historic Pachuca-Real del Monte epithermal vein camp, one of the world's largest epithermal precious metal deposits. The local geology at Pachuca Southeast is typical of the high-level epithermal environment seen over the Pachuca-Real del Monte mines. Prospero's land package covers at least six to seven kilometres of linear, structurally controlled argillic alteration caps at surface, which Prospero's team considers are the surface expression of blind, low-sulphidation, epithermal-style veining. Infrastructure is excellent, with nearby major power lines and a major freeway.

Epithermal-style argillic alteration is associated with anomalous Au, Ag and Zn geochemistry, exposed in an erosional window into an andesitic and felsic volcanic pile. The anomalous geochemistry and clay alteration are essentially identical to that seen in the Vizcaina structure above the Pachuca Mine. Prospero's technical team have mapped hydrothermal alteration and geochemical anomalies associated with structures which indicate the alteration could host a preserved Pachuca-type epithermal deposit at depth. The first hole of Phase 2 will target Varal West, a series of silicified rhyolite reef structures with alunite alteration. Varal West is located approximately 1 km west and along strike of the veins intersected in PSE-18-02.

Qualified Person

Tawn Albinson, M.Sc., President of the Company, is a Qualified Person, as defined in NI 43-101, and is responsible for the technical content of this news release. Mr. Albinson is a Member of the American Institute of Professional Geologists and a Certified Professional Geologist (CPG) No. 11368.

About Fortuna Silver Mines Inc.

Fortuna is a growth-oriented, precious metals producer focused on mining opportunities in Latin America. The company's primary assets are the Caylloma silver mine in southern Peru, the San Jose silver-gold mine in Mexico and the fully-permitted Lindero gold project in Argentina.

About Prospero Silver Corp.

Prospero is a Mexico-focused project generator listed on the TSX.V under the symbol PSL.V. Prospero's aim is to discover world-class precious metal projects in the major mineral belts of Mexico. The Company applies a unique blend of practical exploration experience, cutting-edge mineral deposit science, and an extensive knowledge of Mexico's geology to find new gold and silver systems. Our exploration programs are run by a small but highly-focused geological team based in Mexico.

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